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Attn: Scott Frey

Attn: Ned Conroy

SUBJECT: FY 2009-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment # 17

Dear Mr. Hartman and Mr. Krochalis:

On August 20, 2009, the Idaho Transportation Board approved the use of AARA funds to advance KN07806 and KN07840 from Mid-Horizons to the FY2009-2013 STIP. On September 14, 2009, ITD submitted STIP Amendment #16 to advance KN07806 from the Mid Horizons to FY2009 (Attachment A). Unfortunately, KN07840 (also in Mid Horizons) a companion project, was inadvertently left out of the amendment.

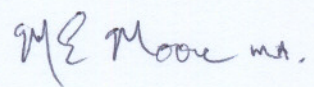
On October 23, 2009, FHWA notices that Amendment #16 contained a project name error for KN07806 and also could not find an approved amendment that allowed KN07840 to be advanced into FY2009. FHWA contacted ITD and asked for a STIP amendment that would: correct the name error; and include the omitted project with an amendment to move it into the FY2009 STIP.

KN	Old name	New Name	Issue
07806	Devil Cr to Downey, SB, Ph1	Brownings Corner to Downey IC, SB, Ph1	Correct Amendment #16
07840	Devil Cr to Downey, NB, Ph2	Brownings Corner to Downey IC, NB, Ph2	Not in Amendment #16

Both projects are mill overlay/seal projects on I-15 (Attachment B). Neither project is within an MPO and do not need to be added to an appropriate Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Both projects qualify for exempt/grouped status under 23 CFR, Part 450.216 (j), and no further public involvement is required. Furthermore, there are no air quality implications for these actions and no air quality conformity is required. The Idaho Transportation Department certifies that the above project action was in accordance with all applicable requirements as described in Section 450.218 of the Statewide Planning Regulations, dated February 14, 2007. The STIP continues to be consistent with the Statewide Transportation Plan as approved by the Idaho Transportation Board in July 2004 and remains fiscally constrained.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "ME Moore M.A.", written in a cursive style.

MATTHEW E. "Matt" MOORE, M.A.
Transportation Planning Administrator

Attachment A

Excerpt from Idaho Transportation Board Minutes—August 20, 2009

WHEREAS, the Department's FY10 budget, which includes \$182 million in ARRA funding, was approved during the Idaho 2009 Legislative Session and signed into law by Idaho Governor Otter on May 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, state highway system projects identified for delivery in accordance with the provisions of the ARRA must be included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration prior to being eligible for ARRA funding; and

WHEREAS, the Department has identified a remaining balance of \$35.4 million in state highway system ARRA project savings due to favorable bids on eight projects advertized to date; and

WHEREAS, additional projects that meet the economic stimulus and project readiness criteria of the ARRA have been identified to use the above state highway system savings as well as other potential state or local savings, insuring 100% obligation of ARRA funding; and

WHEREAS, 100% obligation of ARRA funding by March 1, 2010 will prevent the loss of ARRA funding to other states and qualify Idaho to use redistributed ARRA funding not used by other states.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that staff is authorized to amend the FY09-13 STIP in accordance with the provisions of the ARRA to include the projects listed in the "Additional State Highway System Projects for ARRA Savings or Additional Funding", as shown in **Exhibit 384**, which is made a part hereof with like effect, in FY09 of the ARRA state highway system program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that **staff is authorized to obligate ARRA funding to the projects in Exhibit 384** based on project readiness as funding comes available through savings within the state highway system programs or after October 19, 2009, within the statewide ARRA programs.

Additional State Highway System Projects for ARRA Saving or Additional Funding

(Costs in Millions of Dollars)

Recommended for State Highway System Bid Savings

Key No.	Route	Location	Dist	Work Type	Cost Millions	Cost w/ FICR	PS&E Date	Current Program Status
New	I 90	West I 90 Bridges	1	bridge rehab	\$6.00	\$6.52	31-Jul-09	
8072	US 95	Grangeville to end of Concrete Hwy	2	pavement rehab	\$5.50	\$5.98	15-Jun-09	2012
11558	US 95	S. of Flat Cr. To SH 6, Latah Co.	2	overlay	\$2.05	\$2.23	15-Jun-09	2012
9795, 6, 7	US 95 & SH 7	Lawyers Canyon Br., Orofino Br., Ashaka Br.	2	bridge rehab (companions)	\$0.90	\$0.98	15-Jun-09	2010
8955	I 84	Black Canyon to Sand Hollow	3	concrete rehab	\$9.20	\$9.99	21-Aug-09	
7806	I 15	Devil Cr. To Downey, NB, Phase I	5	mill overlay seal	\$4.50	\$4.89	15-Jun-09	Horizon(MID)
7840	I 15	Devil Cr. To Downey, SB, Phase 2	5	mill overlay seal	\$4.80	\$5.21	15-Jun-09	Horizon(MID)
11673	I 15	Idaho Falls to Osgood, NBL	6	overlay & seal	\$2.00	\$2.17	15-Jun-09	2012

Total Cost \$37.97

Also on Federal end of year plan if not funded under ARRA

Recommended Priorities for Additional Savings or Additional Funding

New	I90	East I-90 Bridges	1	bridge rehab	\$5.00	\$5.43	14-Aug-09	
New	DIST	Bridge Surface Treatment	1	bridge rehab	\$1.50	\$1.63	14-Aug-09	
11674	I 15	Idaho Falls to Osgood, SBL	6	overlay & seal	\$2.00	\$2.17	15-Jun-09	2012
New	US 26	Swan Valley Bridge	6	bridge rehab	\$1.25	\$1.36	1-Aug-09	
10498	I 90	Pinehurst to Elizabeth Park	1	mill inlay	\$5.70	\$6.19	15-Sep-09	
11557	US 95	Lewiston Hill, NBL	2	micro surface	\$2.70	\$2.93	31-Aug-09	2012
11564	SH 13	Howard Cr. To Kooskia CL	2	cold recycle	\$3.15	\$3.42	31-Aug-09	2010
New	VAR	Districtwide Seal Coats	2	seal coats	\$4.00	\$4.35	14-Aug-09	
D451	I 84	Eden Road U'pass to Kasota	4	partial mill inlay/overlay/seal	\$7.70	\$8.37	1-Sep-09	
7747	US 95	Worley North Stage 2 (GARVEE)	1	reconstruct	\$7.00	\$7.60	15-Sep-09	

Total Cost \$43.46

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Total Additional Projects \$81.43